

Remarks/Arguments

A. Claims in the Case

Claims 213-251 are pending. Claims 213, 214, 227, 241, and 242 have been amended.

B. Objections

The Examiner objected to claims 213-251 because of certain informalities. With respect to claim 213, the Examiner stated, among other things:

Fifth, *step-g*, the phrase “reading a current report” is objected to because before a report is read it is identified. Examiner proposes replacing the phrase, “reading a current report” with “identifying a current report and reading the current report.”

Applicant notes that claim 213 recites “reading a current report record”, not “reading a current report” as the Examiner suggests. Applicant has amended claim 213 for clarification to recite “identifying a current report record and reading the current report record.” With respect to the Examiner’s other objections to claim 213, Applicant has amended claim 213 for clarification. Applicant submits that the amendments do not narrow the scope of claim 213. Applicant submits that claim 213 is in condition for allowance.

With respect to claims 227 and 241, the Examiner stated, among other things:

Fourth, *step-g*, the phrase “reading a current report” is objected to because before a report is read it is identified. Examiner proposes replacing the phrase, “reading a current report” with “identifying a current report and reading the current report.”

Applicant notes that claims 227 and 241 recites “reading a current report record”, not “reading a current report” as the Examiner suggests. Applicant has amended claims 227 and 241 for

clarification to recite “identifying a current report record and reading the current report record.” With respect to the Examiner’s other objections to claims 227 and 241, Applicant has amended claims 227 and 241 for clarification. Applicant submits that the amendments do not narrow the scope of claims 227 and 241. Applicant submits that claims 227 and 241 are in condition for allowance.

C. Allowable Subject Matter

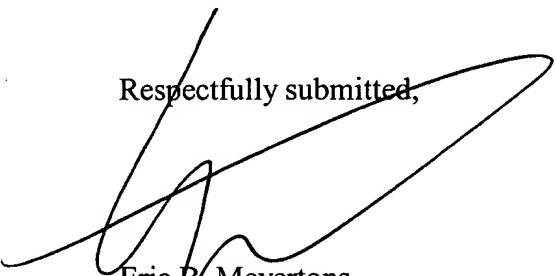
The Examiner indicated that claims 213-251 are allowable. The Examiner noted that “all the objected claims 213-251 must be overcome” before the allowable claims would be allowed. Applicant submits that the Examiner’s objections to claims 213-251 have been overcome.

D. Summary

Based on the above, Applicant respectfully submits that all claims are in condition for allowance.

Applicant respectfully requests a one-month extension of time. If any further extension of time is required, Applicant hereby requests the appropriate extension of time. Applicant has enclosed a Fee Authorization for the extension of time fee. If any fees are inadvertently omitted, or if any additional fees are required, please charge those fees to Meyertons, Hood, Kivlin, Kowert & Goetzel, P.C. Deposit Account Number 50-1505/5053-30901/EBM.

Respectfully submitted,



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